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SUBJECT: CANADIAN SC CANDIDACY

REF: OTTAWA 0104, VALLETTA 0053

1. EMBASSY WILL RECALL THAT AT WEO GROUP MEETING OCTOBER
28, ACCORDING USUN 5429, MALTA EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SC
SEAT FOR 1977-78 TERM BUT RECEIVED NO SUPPORT AND GROUP
ENDORSED CANADA AND FRG TO SUCCEED ITALY AND SWEDEN FOR
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THAT TERM. ACCORDING USUN, ALTHOUGH WEO GROUP CHAIRMAN

HAS NOT YET NOTIFIED SECRETARIAT AND OTHER REGIONAL GROUPS OF WEO ENDORSEMENTS, THIS IS QUESTION OF TIMING AND DOES NOT REFLECT ANY CHANGE IN WEO GROUP'S POSITION. IN CONVERSATION HERE WITH CANADIAN EMBASSY'S MINISTER TURNER, IO DEP. ASST. SECRETARY BAKER STRESSED THAT WEO GROUP ENDORSEMENT IS DETERMINING FACTOR IN SUCCESS CANADIAN CANDIDACY FOR WEO SC SEAT AND NOT POSSIBLE LDC PREFERENCES. TURNER AGREED. DEPT SURE GOM AWARE OF THIS SINCE ACCEPTANCE REGIONAL CHOICES FOR REGIONAL SEATS ON UN BODIES LONG ESTABLISHED UN PRACTICE. VALETTA'S 0053 THEREFORE VERY HELPFUL IN CLARIFYING REAL MALTESE OBJECTIVE. BARGAINING PLOYS OF TYPE MALTESE INDICATE NOT UNUSUAL IN THE UN CONTEXT.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK ASSURE THAT DEPUTY DIRECTOR UN POL AND INSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION EXTAF F UNDERSTANDS SITUATION AS SET FORTH ABOVE, MAKING CLEAR OUR PLEASURE AT WEO GROUP'S ENDORSEMENT CANADA'S CANDIDACY, AND OUR HOPE THAT IT WILL NOT PERMIT ITSELF TO BECOME DISCOURAGED BY MALTA'S PROFESSED ASPIRATIONS FOR SC SEAT, WHICH WE HAVE NO INDICATION MALTA IS PURSUING WITH ANY REAL VIGOR. KISSINGER

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